Wheel Angle Sensor Kit Installation

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Overview

Always shut down the vehicle when working around the steering axle or pivot point when installing or adjusting the Wheel Angle Sensor components. The steering mechanism could move suddenly and unexpectedly and cause severe injury or death.

These instructions provide the procedure for installing the Wheel Angle Sensor on the supported vehicles listed. The Wheel Angle Sensor sends feedback to the AutoSteer system to give it the relative position of the steering axle, pivot point, or other steering mechanism so the AutoSteer system can better predict how far and fast to turn.

Note: This installation requires the installer to cut the standard length of rods to specific lengths to work on the vehicle. This manual provides suggested cut lengths and final assembly lengths as a best recommendation. However due to the high possibility of variations to the steering mechanisms it is always the responsibility of the installer to verify the suggested lengths will work for their particular installation. The manufacturer is not responsible for damage caused by incorrectly installed Wheel Angle Sensors. The installer takes responsibility for all risks from damage and injury when installing a Wheel Angle Sensor on a vehicle.

Supported Vehicles

The following models have been confirmed to be compatible with this Wheel Angle Sensor Kit:

Supported Make, Models, and Year Model was First Released Page

• John Deere S550, S660, S670, S680, and S690 (2012 - ) .......................................................... 3
Install Wheel Angle Sensor Brackets

The Wheel Angle Sensor needs to be connected to two points on the vehicle’s steering mechanism. One point is stationary and the other point moves as the steering mechanism turns from right to left. Follow the procedure to attach the Wheel Angle Sensor Brackets and Wheel Angle Sensor.

### Install Wheel Angle Sensor Brackets

1. Locate the Wheel Angle Sensor mounting position on the right side, rear axle.

2. Locate the upper, outer most bolt hole on the right, rear axle spacing area (left circle in figure). The Wheel Angle Sensor Mounting Bracket will be attached here.

   **Note:** If the axle is set up to be at the narrowest row spacing the hole shown will have a bolt going through it.

3. The circle on the right shows where the Linkage Rod Mounting Bracket will be attached to the steering axle's linkage rod.
4. Choose the Wheel Angle Sensor Mounting Bracket from the kit specific for the axle type on the vehicle.

**Note:** These vehicles can have a 4WD or 2WD option. The 4WD option has additional hoses that power the rear wheels and are mounted in the same location where the Wheel Angle Sensor Mounting Bracket is attached. To allow the Wheel Angle Sensor to fit on these machines, use the 4WD bracket, otherwise use the 2WD one.

5. Attach the Wheel Angle Sensor Mounting Bracket to the rear axle with a 3/4” x 6-1/2” hex bolt, 3/4” flat washer, and 3/4” nut.

**Note:** If the axle is at the narrowest position and has an existing bolt at the location, attach the Wheel Angle Sensor Mounting Bracket using the exiting bolt.

6. Tighten the bolts with a 1-1/8” socket and ratchet and 1-1/8” wrench.

**Note:** The 2WD Wheel Angle Sensor Mounting Bracket is used as the example in this manual. Mount the 4WD bracket the same way as the 2WD bracket.

7. Attach the Wheel Angle Sensor to the Wheel Angle Sensor Bracket with the two 3/8” x 5/8” bolts and flat washers.

**Note:** Verify that the wire connector is facing forward before attaching the Wheel Angle Sensor to the bracket.

8. Tighten the bolts with a 9/16” ratchet wrench.
9. Attach the Linkage Rod Mounting Bracket to the vehicle's steering axle linkage rod as shown.

10. Tighten the U-clamp with a 1/2” socket and ratchet.

**Note:** Verify that the “L” bracket is parallel to the ground after it has been tightened.

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**Cut the Wheel Angle Sensor Rods to Length**

The Wheel Angle Sensor rods are shipped longer than they need to be. These rods must be cut with a hack saw or other cutting device to the proper length to allow the linkage rods to allow the Wheel Angle Sensor to achieve the maximum number of counts as the steering wheel is turned from full right to full left.

**Note:** Due to the variability of the possible mounting positions, axle options, and wheel angle stops on the vehicle, it is the responsibility of the installer to verify the suggested lengths provided in this manual are correct for each individual installation prior to cutting the rods. Failure to verify the fit on your specific vehicle may cause damage to the Wheel Angle Sensor components or vehicle when the steering wheel is turned. This damage is not covered by warranty. Always verify the clearances prior to permanently cutting and connecting the Wheel Angle Sensor Rods to the Wheel Angle Sensor Brackets.

**Note:** Prior to cutting the rods, always mark the rods and temporarily connect them to the Wheel Angle Sensor Brackets. Manually position the steering mechanism at the full left and right positions and verify that if the rods were cut to the suggested lengths, nothing will be damaged. DO NOT CUT THE RODS UNTIL THE FIT IS VERIFIED.

*Figure 1* shows where to take the measurements for the Wheel Angle Sensor Rod and Linkage Rod. *Table 1* provides the typical rod lengths that work for most installations. Use these values as a starting point and adjust as needed for your specific installation.

**Note:** Secure the rods in a vice or other device while cutting. Protect the threads so they are not damaged. It is advisable to attach a nut on the side of the metal rod that is going to be kept in order to clean the threads after the cut has been made. Clean the ends of the threaded rods using a file and verify the threads are still good after cutting them.
Assemble the Linkage Rod Hardware

After cutting the Linkage Rods to the proper lengths the ball joints and other hardware must be attached and prepared for the installation.

**Note:** Never connect and turn the steering wheel with the Linkage Rods connected until the fit has been verified.

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### Assemble the Linkage Rod Hardware

1. Attach a jam nut to the end of the Wheel Angle Sensor Rod (A).
2. Connect the Eye Connector to the end of the Wheel Angle Sensor Rod.
3. Attach a jam nut to each end of the Linkage Rod (B).
4. Attach the ball joints to both ends of the linkage arm.

**Note:** The bolts for the ball joints should be pointing in the opposite direction as shown.

After assembling the Wheel Angle Sensor and Linkage Rods, use Figure 1 to determine the measurement points and Table 2 for the suggested lengths of the rods for the final assembly.

**Note:** Always verify that the suggested measurements will work on your installation. These measurements are provided as a starting point only and must be adjusted at the time of the installation to ensure that nothing is damaged when the steering wheel is moved. DO NOT PERMANENTLY CONNECT THE RODS TOGETHER UNTIL THE FIT IS VERIFIED.

**Figure 2** Wheel Angle Sensor Rod and Linkage Rod Cut Assembled Measurement Points

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Attach Wheel Angle Sensor and Linkage Rods

The Wheel Angle Sensor Linkage Rod will be attached to the Wheel Angle Sensor and the Linkage Rod will be attached to the Linkage Rod Bracket. Do not attach the Wheel Angle Sensor Rod to the Linkage Rod until the fit has been confirmed and the steering mechanism has been manually checked at the full right and full left positions.

1. Attach the Wheel Angle Sensor Rod to the Wheel Angle Sensor with the screw, washer, and lock nut that came with the assembly.

2. The rod will point forward.

   **Note:** It is important that the flat washer goes on the screw head side and NOT the nut side when attaching the arm.

3. Tighten the screw on the Wheel Angle Sensor shaft with a 1/8” Allen wrench and a 3/8” open end wrench.

   **Note:** The screws holding the potentiometer sensor to the top of the metal block should stick out from the bottom of the Wheel Angle Sensor assembly (shown by arrows). The Allen head should always be on the top of the sensor.

   The screws stick out on the bottom to prevent the sensor from being accidentally over extended by hand. Verify these screws are installed correctly and Wheel Angle Sensor Rod moves back and forth freely between the two screws at the bottom of the Wheel Angle Sensor block.
Attach Wheel Angle Sensor and Linkage Rods

4. Attach the linkage rod to the linkage bracket. The bolt attaches to the top of the bracket and the nut and lock washer go on the bottom.

5. Tighten the ball joint to the bracket with a 1/2” and 9/16” open end wrenches.

   **Note:** Do not attach the Wheel Angle Sensor Rod to the Linkage Rod at this time. Make sure they are disconnected until after the maximum right and maximum left stops have been verified not to damage the assembly.

6. With the linkage rods disconnected, start the vehicle and manually turn the steering wheel so that the vehicle will travel straight ahead when moving.

7. Temporarily attach the Wheel Angle Sensor Rod and Linkage Rod together.

8. Rotate the Wheel Angle Sensor potentiometer on top of the mounting block so that the plastic wire connector is parallel to the Wheel Angle Sensor Rod.

9. After the potentiometer has been adjusted, tighten the potentiometer bolts with a 3/8” wrench and 5/32” Allen wrench.

10. Disconnect the linkage rods and then turn the steering wheel manually so the steering mechanism is turned to the full left position.

    **Note:** The vehicle may need to be driven a short distance in order to get the steering system to move to the full left position.

11. Reattach the linkage assembly and verify that the sensor and linkage rods will not be damaged. Adjust the rod lengths as necessary.
12. Disconnect the linkage rods and turn the steering wheel manually so the steering wheels are turned to the full right position.

**Note:** The vehicle may need to be driven a short distance in order to get the steering system to move to the full right position.

13. Reattach the linkage assembly and verify that the sensor and linkage rods will not be damaged. Adjust the rod lengths as necessary.

14. Repeat *Step 6* through *Step 13* until the rod lengths have been adjusted and the potentiometer is centered to get the maximum sensor movement.

15. The maximum movement is reached when the Wheel Angle Sensor Rod will sweep from approximately 3/16” (5mm) from both bolt heads when the steering mechanism is turned to the maximum right and left positions.

**Note:** An Ohm meter can also be used to determine if there is enough sensor movement. Connect the Ohm meter to pins A and B of the Wheel Angle Sensor. Measure the Ohm reading at the maximum left and right position. After subtracting the smaller number from the larger number, there should be at least a 3.75 Kilo-Ohms change. The reading should also never go below 1.4 or higher than 6.0 Kilo-Ohms as this is reaching the limits of the potentiometer and could damage the sensor.

16. Once all the adjustments are complete, tighten all lock nuts and bolts on the Linkage and Wheel Angle Sensor Rods. A 1/2” and two 9/16” wrenches are required to tighten all the connections.
After all the cable harnesses have been run and the Wheel Angle Sensor Connector has been attached, attach the Wheel Angle Sensor Shield to the front of the Wheel Angle Sensor with two 3/8" x 3/4" hex bolts. Tighten with a 9/16 socket and ratchet.

**Note:** This protects the connector and wires from debris.